## Portion of Board Report for period July 1, 2002 – June 30, 2003 Pertaining to Enforceable operating agreements

The **Source Specific Operating Agreement Program** (SSOA) addresses specific types of sources that, if unlimited, would have a potential to emit (PTE) at thresholds greater than the major source thresholds for any criteria or hazardous air pollutants. However, the nature of the sources makes it possible to establish realistic operating conditions to limit the PTE to considerably less than major source thresholds. These conditions are specifically established by rule significantly streamlining the application, review, and approval process. OAQ has issued 703 SSOAs as of June 30, 2003, and 29 SSOAs during FY03.

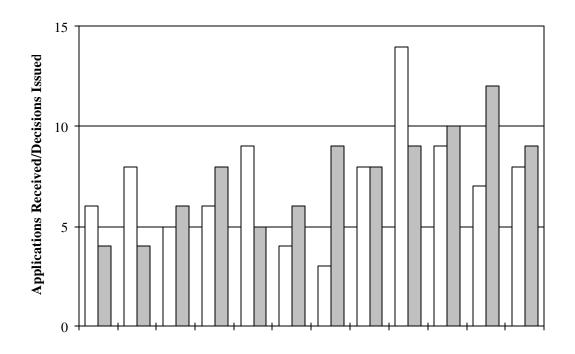
Sources receiving a SSOA under 326 IAC 2-9 are exempt from the major operating permit program and are not required to submit a Title V or Federally Enforceable State Operating Permit (FESOP) application.

The **Permit by Rule** program exempts certain very small sources from the requirement to obtain an operating approval due to the minimal amount of emissions generated by the source. These sources include all sources that have actual emissions less than 20% of the major source thresholds (without the use of emission controls) as established in 326 IAC 8-2-10, and certain specific categories which, at this time, only include gasoline dispensing and grain elevator operations, as specified in 326 IAC 2-11. By rule, these operations are not required to submit an application, notify the OAQ or get an approval. Consequently, the numbers or types of sources cannot be quantified.

Last year OAQ developed a **General FESOP** for asphalt plants, which has streamlined the approval process for these sources. The terms of the permit will not vary from source to source. The provisions of the General Permit were published in the Indiana Register and in at least one newspaper in every county to provide the public with an opportunity to comment and request a public hearing. During FY03, OAQ received and issued one application for this type of permit.

## **Minor Operating Permits**

This chart shows Minor Source Operating Permit (MSOP), the Source Specific Operating Agreements (SSOAs), and Federally Enforceable State Operation Permits (FESOPs). The 1998 rules required existing minor sources without a valid permit to apply for an approval by December 27, 1999. Existing minor sources with operating permits were required to apply by December 26, 2000. The chart does not include those FESOP and MSOP applications received as part of a combined construction permit/operating permit approval, such as FESOP/Enhanced New Source Review, which are instead tracked as construction permits Decisions include permits issued as well as applications withdrawn, combined or denied.



Applications		Jul '02	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan '03	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Received		6	8	5	6	9	4	3	8	14	9	7	8	87
Final Decisions		4	4	6	8	5	6	9	8	9	10	12	9	90
Pending (not shown)		110	114	113	111	115	113	107	107	112	111	106	105	

Of the 90 minor source permit decisions made in FY03, 29 were Source Specific Operating Agreements (SSOAs) and one was a General FESOPs for an asphalt plant.